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September 27, 2004

Marlene H. Dortch Office of the Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12 St., SW Room TW-A306 Washington, DC 20554 DOCKET FILE COPY DUPLICATE

Re: Universal Service Fund (USF) - State Commission Certification for USF

In accordance with the fourteenth Report and Order, Twenty-Second Order on Reconsideration, and Further notice of Proposed Rulemaking in CC Docket No. 96-45, and Report and Order in CC Docket No. 00-256 adopted on May 10, 2001 and released May 23, 2001, Louisiana Public Service Commission ("Commission") certifies that the carriers listed below are eligible telecommunications carriers for rural service areas and that Universal Service Funds are being used for the intended purposes as evidenced by the affidavits filed on behalf of the carriers.

SAR JD	Name	Service Area
270433	Lafourche Telephone Company, LLC P.O. Box 188 LaRose, LA 70373	Rural
270438	Reserve Telephone Co., Inc. P.O. Drawer T Reserve, LA 70084	Rural
270441	Star Telephone Company, Inc. 7266 Tom Drive, Suite 200 Baton Rouge, LA 70806	Rural
270430	Elizabeth Telephone Co., L.L.C. P.O. Box 167	Rural

## Sulphur, LA 70664

270425	Cameron Telephone Co., L.L.C. P.O. Box 167 Sulphur, LA 70664	Rural
270426	Campti-Pleasant Hill Telephone Company, Inc. P.O. Box 777 Natchitoches, LA 71458	Rural
270423	CenturyTel of Central Louisiana, LLC P.O. Box 4065 Monroe, LA 71211-4065	Rural
270436	CenturyTel of North Louisiana, LLC P.O. Box 4065 Monroe, LA 71211-4065	Rural
270440	CenturyTel of East Louisiana, LLC P.O. Box 4065 Monroe, LA 71211-4065	Rural
270424	CenturyTel of Southeast Louisiana, LLC P.O. Box 4065 Monroe, LA 71211-4065	Rural
270434	CenturyTel of Evangeline, LLC P.O. Box 4065 Monroe, LA 71211-4065	Rural
270442	CenturyTel of Southwest Louisiana, LLC P.O. Box 4065 Monroe, LA 71211-4065	Rural
270431	CenturyTel of Northwest Louisiana, Inc. P.O. Box 4065 Monroe, LA 71211-4065	Rural
270427	CenturyTel of Chatham, LLC P.O. Box 4065 Monroe, LA 71211-4065	Rural
270439	CenturyTel of Ringgold, LLC P.O. Box 4065 Monroe, LA 71211-4065	Rural

270428	Delcambre Telephone Co., Inc. 104 N. Corner Street Delcambre, LA 70528	Rural
270429	East Ascension Telephone Co., LLC 913 South Burnside Avenue Gonzales, LA 70737-4258	Rural
270435	Northeast Louisiana Telephone Co., Inc. P.O. Drawer 185 Collinston, LA 71229	Rural
270432	Kaplan Telephone Co., Inc. P.O. Box 369 Kaplan, LA 70548	Rural

If additional information is required, please feel free to contact our office.

Sincerely

Lawrence St. Blanc Executive Secretary

xc: NECA - John Recker

USAC – Irene Flannery LPSC Auditing Division LPSC Utilities Division



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September 24, 2004

#### VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS

Louisiana Public Service Commission Attn: Lawrence C. St. Blanc Executive Secretary Galvez Building, 12th Floor 602 North Fifth Street P. O. Box 91154 Baton Rouge, LA 70821-9154

Re: High Cost Certification of NPCR, Inc. d/b/n Nextel Partners
LPSC Docket No. U-27289

Dear Mr. St. Blanc:

This certification is provided pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §§ 54.313 and 54.314. On behalf of NPCR, Inc. d/b/a Nextel Partners (the "Company"), I hereby certify under penalty of perjury that all high-cost universal service support provided to the Company for the 2005 calendar year will be used only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, pursuant to Section 254(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

The Louisiana Public Service Commission ("LPSC") issued Order No. U-27289 on June 29, 2004 designating the Company an eligible telecommunications carrier ("ETC") in the State of Louisiana. The LPSC further certified to the FCC and USAC on June 29, 2004 the Company's eligibility to receive certain high cost universal service support for the fourth quarter of 2004. The Company's eligibility to receive such support for the 2005 calendar year is dependent upon the LPSC providing re-certification of the Company's eligibility to the FCC and USAC on or before October 1, 2004. See 47 C.F.R. §§ 54.313(d)(3)(i) and 54.314(d). Accordingly, the Company hereby requests that the LPSC transmit a letter to the FCC and USAC to provide for the certification. The letter will need to be received by the FCC and USAC on or before October 1, 2004 to be effective.

Thank you for you assistance in this matter. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (425) 576-3600.

State of New Jersey )
SS
County of Monmouth )

#### **AFFIDAVIT**

William L. Roughton, Ir., being of full age and duly sworn according to law, upon his oath deposes and states as follows:

- 1. I am Vice President Legal and Regulatory Affairs for Centennial Communications Corp.
- 2. Centennial Communications Corp. is the parent company of the following operating companies that all provide wireless telecommunications services in the State of Louisiana:
  - A, Centennial Lafayette Communications LLC
  - B. Centennial Beauregard Cellular LLC
  - C. Centennial Hammond Cellular LLC
  - D. Centennial Caldwell Cellular Corp.
  - E. Centennial Morehouse Cellular LLC
- 3. Each of the above named operating entities, in compliance with 47 USC § 254 (c), does and will continue to use all Universal Service Funds they receive only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.
- 4. If called upon to testify, I could competently testify as set forth above.

William L. Roughton J

Swom and subscribed before me this 30th day of September 2004

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KAREN K. GROSCHEL NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF NEW JERSEY MY COMMISSION EXPIRES 01-16-2005 FROM : KAPLANTELEPHONECO

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# KAPLAN Telephone Company, Inc.

### PACE Cellular Communications

#### AFFIDAVIT

State of Louisiana

Parish of Vermilion

BEFORE ME, the undersigned notary public, personally came and appeared:

CARL A. TURNLEY, Vice President, for Kaplan Telephone Co., Inc., dba Pace Communications, who is duly authorized to represent Kaplan Telephone Co., Inc., dba Pace Communications who, being first sworn by me, did depose and declare:

(1) Kaplan Telephone Co., Inc., dba Pace Communications, is an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier pursuant to Section 214(o) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 and a recipient of federal high cost support. Kaplan Telephone Co., Inc., dba Pace Communications uses such high cost support solely for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and service for which the support is intended.

CARL A. TURNLEY, Vice President

Sworn to and subscribed before me in the Parish of Vermilion, Louisiana, this

29th day of September, 2004.

CARDA SUE MONIC, MOTARY PUBLIC

#### **AFFIDAVIT**

State of Louisiana

Parish of East Baten Rouge

BEFORE ME, the undersigned notary public, personally came and appeared:

Alvin Kimble, the authorized agent for the Acadiana Cellular General Partnership who, being first sworn by me, did depose and declare:

(1) The Acadiana Cellular General Partnership has been designated by the Louisiana Public Service Commission as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier pursuant to the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996 and will be a recipient of federal high cost support. The Acadiana Cellular General Partnership will use such high cost support solely for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and service for which the support is intended.

Alvin Kimble, Its Authorized Agent

Sworn to and subscribed before me in the Parish of Earl Strolly at School (city) Louisiana, this 30 day of Autolic, 2004.

Manually F. Borne, NOTARY PUBLIC